

NEVADA OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES STATE OF NEVADA

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Mobile Veterans Services Available at National Cowboy Poetry Gathering

Benefits Assistance Offered to Local Veterans & Military Families

ELKO, NEVADA, JANUARY 28-30, 2010 – Local area veterans and military personnel who may be unaware of the benefits and services they are eligible to receive will be able to meet with staff of the Nevada Office of Veterans Services (NOVS) as part of Elko's National Cowboy Poetry Gathering from Thursday, January 28, through Saturday, January 30, 2010. The NOVS Mobile Outreach Office (MOO) will be located in the parking lot of the City Pool at 1501 College Avenue. Service officers will provide veterans benefit assistance from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday. Veterans, active duty military personnel, and their families can meet with NOVS staff that can provide information about available benefits and programs, as well as conduct interviews to determine eligibility and assist with benefits applications.

Veterans can make an appointment to meet with a Veterans Service Officer to discuss their benefits. Walk-in appointments will also be accepted. For more information, or to schedule a MOO appointment, call Lora at (775) 777-1000. Veterans are advised to bring a copy of their DD-214 discharge document and/or current VA claim(s) correspondence.

NOVS was created in 1943 to provide assistance and services to veterans, their family members, and residents of Nevada serving in the Armed Forces of the United States. The Agency has three programs: Veterans Benefit Assistance, Veterans Cemeteries (Boulder City and Fernley), and a Veterans Nursing Home (Boulder City). There are approximately 339,000 veterans residing in Nevada eligible for these services. For more information, call NOVS toll free at 1-866-630-VETS (8387) or visit our website at www.veterans.nv.gov.

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